

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

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7. (canceled)

8. (canceled)

9. (canceled)

10. (currently amended) A rotating disk for an apparatus that fabricates
a ~~film or electric~~ thermoelectric material comprising consisting essentially of:

a disk and a stem the supporting the disk,

wherein the disk and the stem have a uniform integral structure.

11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) An apparatus for fabricating a thermoelectric material ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of:

a container for mixing and heat-melting raw material having a predetermined composition;

means for pouring the molten metal of the heat-melted raw material;

and

a rotating disk for scattering the poured molten metal; ~~and~~

~~wherein a stem supporting the rotating disk [[:]]~~ has a disk and a stem,
and wherein the disk and stem and the rotating disk have a uniform integral structure made of silicon nitride or a material containing silicon nitride.

13. (previously presented) The apparatus for fabricating a thermoelectric material as defined in claim 12, wherein the means for pouring the molten metal of the heat-melted raw material includes a funnel.

14. (previously presented) The apparatus for fabricating a thermoelectric material as defined in claim 12, wherein the means for pouring the molten metal of the heat-melted raw material includes a pouring port.

15. (currently amended) An apparatus for fabricating a thermoelectric material ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of:

a container for mixing and heat-melting raw material having a predetermined composition;

means for pouring the molten metal of the heat-melted raw material;

and

a rotating disk for scattering the poured molten metal; ~~and~~

wherein a stem supporting the rotating disk [[:]] has a disk and a stem,
and wherein the disk and stem and the rotating disk have a uniform integral structure made of β -sialon having the formula:



16. (new) The rotating disk as defined in claim 10, wherein the stem and the disk are made of β -sialon having the formula:

